

# Request title:

## CAMHS waiting times and referrals dataset

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Date of Response: 26<sup>th</sup> February 2016

Further to your Freedom of Information request, the Trust has answered your questions in the order they appear in your request.

### Request

I am writing to request information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, specifically under the dataset provisions of Sections 11, 19 and 45 of the Act.

I would be grateful if you could confirm receipt of this email and answer the following request in respect of the CAMHS service your Trust provides:

1) I enclose as an attachment to this email a Microsoft Excel template file. I would be grateful if you could insert the name of your Trust below the column marked 'Q1' and provide answers to the following questions into the same Excel file:

2) What was the average number of days waiting time between referral to CAMHS and first appointment in each of the last three calendar years and for each tier of CAMHS care? Please insert the answers into the supplied Microsoft Excel template file to the right of the rows marked: 'Q1 - 2013'; 'Q1 - 2014'; 'Q1 - 2015'; and under the appropriate column for each of the four tiers of CAMHS care.

3) What was the single longest number of days waiting time between referral to CAMHS and first appointment in each of the last three calendar years and for each tier of CAMHS care? Please insert the answers into the supplied Microsoft Excel template file to the right of the rows marked: 'Q2 - 2013'; 'Q2 - 2014'; 'Q2 - 2015'; and under the appropriate column for each of the four tiers of CAMHS care.

4) What information do you hold or have access to showing, or having the potential to show, the following:

a) patient incidents in the time between referral to CAMHS and first appointment?

b) serious case investigations in the time between referral to CAMHS and first appointment?

c) patient suicides in the time between referral to CAMHS and first appointment?

5) How many a) patient incidents b) serious case investigations c) patient suicides have there been between the date of first referral to CAMHS and the date of first appointment in the last three calendar years?

6) Please provide me with a copy of the CAMHS referrals dataset, including (but not limited to) the following fields of information (where available): the date of the referral; the date of the first appointment; the tier and type of CAMHS care the referral was for; whether or not the patient attended the first appointment; the reasons for non attendance; the severity of the case; any other non-exempt field of information. Please provide this as a linked dataset in a machine-readable format, as you are required to under the dataset provisions of the Act.

I expect you to release all non exempt material.

If my request is denied in whole or in part, I ask that you justify all deletions by reference to specific exemptions of the Act.

I ask that you respect ICO guidance on Section 12 which states that “staff time taken, or likely to be taken, in removing any exempt information in order to leave the information that is to be disclosed, often referred to as ‘redaction’, cannot be included as part of the costs of extracting the requested information.”

**Reply**

Virgin Care are the providers of CAMHS and therefore your request would need to be directed to Virgin Care. The Trust is a provider of acute medical care only.